GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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SAFETY OF RADIO-ACTIVE MATERIAL
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has cautioned India toremain vigilant regarding theft of radio-active material;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have taken any concrete steps for the safety of the same keeping in view the above said warning; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) & (d): Irrespective of the above, a well established radiation protection framework exists in India and effective measures to control and monitor radioactive materials are in place. Department of Atomic Energy is also equiped to locate any stray or orphaned radioactive source and handle any emergency situation that may arise therefrom.